COMMENCEMENTS.

Benwood Public School's Was Held Last Evening and

ATTRACTED LARGE AUDIENCE.

A Very Entertaining Programme was Rendered by the Youths and Misses who Have now Embarked on the Sea of Life - Programmes for the Mt. de Chantal and McMcchen Commencements.

This week sees the commencement tide at its highest. The ball was opened at Benwood last night, West Liberty's to-day. McMechen's to-night, Bethany's and Mont de Chantal's tomorrow and Linsly's on Friday, Great interest is evinced in the exercises at all the schools and good weather will bring out large crowds.

The thirteenth annual comencement of the Central Benwood school was held last night, at the M. E. church, in the presence of a large and aprpeclative audience. The church was prettly decorated in the class colors, pink and lavender, flowers being profusely-displayed, and Mayer's orchestra rendered the music. There were three graduates, Muriel Vaughn Linsley, Edith May Morgan and Harry Alonzo Bowers. Scated on the stage besides the class were President Robert Newton, C. W. McCombs. and Isaiah Stevens, of the board of education Itev. G. W. Bent and Principal Charles E. Carrigan.

The exercises were opened with the commencement march by the orchestra, followed by the invocation by Rev. Mr. Bent. Miss Linsley was the first graduate on the programme, her theme being, "One Unwavering Aim." The oration was a clever composition and well delivered, arguing for a singleness of purpose in all pursuits. Miss Linsley held that success in anything could be obtained by the power of concentration.
Applause greeted the effort.

Mr. Bowers also scored a hit with his oration, "One Memorable Year." He dwelt on the year 1898 and the success achieved by American arms in the war with Spain, and compared it with 1776 and the year the slaves were emancipated, together with the events attending these important dates. The war for Spain, said Mr. Bowers, was the first ever waged for humanity and he upheld expansion when it was sought to dis-seminate the blessings Americans enjoy.

"Great but Unhonered," was the final oration and Miss Morgan had a splendld performance. She referred to John Howard Payne, author of "Home Sweet Home," Stephen Foster, who wrote "Old Kentucky Home" and other tender songs, Francis Scott Key, who penned "Star Spangled Banner," and many great minds who were forgotten in the tributes paid their songs. It was the many little things and not the few great ones that elevated humanity, was a thought put forth by Miss Morgan.

The orchestra varied the programme with pleasing numbers, and Principal Carrigan presented the diplomas. Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Bent. At the conclusion of the exercise: the young ladies of the church served refreshments.

WEST LIBERTY NORMAL.

Bryants Defeat Irvings Overwhelmingly in the Annual Contest.

The annual contest between the Bryant and Irving literary societies occurred last night, at the West Liberty normal school, in the presence of an unusually large commencement crowd. The Bryants secured 80 points to 20 by the Irvings. The society colors and rival rooters were very much to the front and enthusiasm greeted each performer's efforts.

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The centests resulted as follows: Recitation—"For God and Country" Miss Low Morgan (Bryant); same subject by Miss Harriet Hogg, (Irving); Miss Morgan, won, 19, points.

Debate—Resolved that there will be a higher form of life in the globe than a man, affirmative, C. R. Grandstaff, (Irving); negative, Miss Neille Riddle, (Bryant); Miss Riddle won; 49 points.

Oration—"The Problems of the American Republic, J. E. Chase, (Bryant); "Old Glory," S. S. Curtis, (Irving). Mr. Curtis won; 29 points.
Essay—"The Star of the East," Miss Grace Beuner, (Irving); "Culture of Character in Service," Miss Mary Orr, (Bryant). Miss Orr won; 39 points.

(Bryant). Miss Orr won; 30 points.

AT MT. DE CHANTAL.

Programme for To-morrow's Exercises and Premium Distribution.

The programme for the annual exerclass and distribution of premiums-in other words, the commencement-at the Academy of the Visitation, B. V. M., more familiarly known at Mt. de Chantal Academy, has been issued, and is

At McMechen.

The annual commencement of the McMechen high school will take place this evening at 8 o'clock, in the M. E. church, under the direction of the prin-cipal, Prof. J. T. King. The programme as follows:

Ellen Theresa Donovan.

Music Overture—Home Circle Schrepgreile
Oration. "The Eve of the 2th Century
John Blatne Marple.

Music cornet solo, selected. John Coats
Presentation of diplomas, by J. T. King,
principal of the school.

Music—Whistling Rufus"—Rag Time
By Mila
Benediction ...Rev. B. D. Eden

BRIEF MENTIONINGS.

Events in and About the City Given in a Nutshell. Council falled to secure a quorum

last night.

The sessions of the Undertakers' convention continue today.

Baseball this afternoon at 2:45, Wheeling vs. Grand Rapids.

The North Wheeling glass works West Liberty normal commencem today. Many Wheeling people will tend.

eramps, due probably to drinking iced water.

The remains of the inte Charles N. Fisher were interred yesterday afternoon from the family residence, 91 Fourteenth stret. The cortage was followed by sorrowing friends, of whom there were many.

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The funeral of Mrs. William Ferguson will occur from her late residence at Glea Easton on the arrival of train No. 72. leaving Wheeling at 7 o'clock Thursday morning. Requiem mass will be said at St. Martin's church, Cameron. Interment at Cameron cemetery. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend.

vited to attend.

Last right about 8 o'clock two tramps approached a citizen who was walking along the Pan Handle railroad tracks in the North End and one of them, pulling a revolver, said: "I am hungry. I want something to eat." The citizen ran, informed Police Officer Trautwein, and the latter soon had the tramps under arrest. They gave as their names J. J. Devine and Fred Callahan.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Going and Coming of Wheeling People and Visitors.

F. V. Faulkner, of Mannington, was in the city yesterday.

W. H. Mabis, of Mabis, was a Wind-or register last night.

G. D. Underwood, of Shirley, registered at the Howell yesterday.

Hon. Neil J. Fortney, of Kingwoo was an arrival in the city last night. Judge J. W. English returned from Point Pleasant last night, and is regis-tered at the Howell.

Win Ulrich, recently of Captain Franzheim's "immunes," has accepted his old position at Harry Hillman's. State Mine Inspector S. A. Lewis, of Fairmont, was in the city last night. He has just finished his annuar inspection of the coal mines in the Wheeling

district. district.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thiers and Mrs. Charles Aul have left on a southern pleasure trip, accompanying the Freight Agents' Association delegates on their trip to the annual meeting at Norfolk, Va., via Cincinnati, Chatta-

nooga and Asheville. Squire W. W. Rogers, his son William and his brother Charles S. will leave this morning for Kentucky, where they will visit old scenes and attend the reunion of the Rogers clans at Mt Sterling. The genial squire intends to pass a night in the house he was born in, at Maux branch, Bath county. The party will be gone for several days.

ECHOLS PULLED HIS GUN. The Humane Society Officer Figures

in an Exciting Incident.

There was an exciting scene at the corner of Twelfth and Market streets last night about 6 o'clock. Humane Agent Echols became involved in an argument with Charles Becker, ex-city garbage collector, who was driving a garrage collector, who was driving a passenger wagon, and Echols pulled a gun on Becker, for which he was arrested. The trouble started by Echols jumping on Becker's wagon and asking Becker how long he had driven the horses. Becker, to whom Echols was unknown, replied, "None of your bustness."

unknown, replied, "None of your business."

Echols then attempted to arrest Becker, and the latter flourished his whip, whereupon Echols drew his revolver. At this juncture Patrol Driver Mays appeared and officer Landmeyer followed. The officer arrested Echols, taking him to the city building, but Lieutenant Suppler recognized him, and, after lecturing him, Echols was released. The affair attracted a large crowd, and had Echols shot the excitement would have been intense. citement would have been intense.

The Bachman Funeral.

The funeral of the late Benjamin F.

cause of his death was a severe attack of typhold fever. Death was not unexpected, as he had been in a critical state for several days. He was associated with his father and brother in the produce business. He had served in council from the Second ward, and at the time of his death was a member of the board of public works. He enjoyed a wide acquaintance, and was held in warm esteen by all who were fortunate enough to enjoy his friend-ship. ship.

To Develop Brooke County Coal.

Captain James L. Brown who is associated with some Wheeling gentle men in the development of some 5,009 men in the development of some 5,000 acres of coal property in Brooke county, Just below Weilsburg, was in the city yesterday. The captain said that work will be pushed at once and that the company expects to be in active operations within sixty days, or infecty at the farthest. They will ship both by rail and river. The company recently received a charter from Charleston, and will meet in this city in a few days to organize.

Royal Arch Masons.

Wheeling Union Chapter No. 1, Royal Arch Masons, has elected the following officers: ing officers: P. H. P., George M. Ford; High Priest, Dr. H. B. Baguley; Excellent King, Thomas B. Mc-Lain; Excellent Scribe, R. P. Robb; secretary, Joseph Hall; treasurer, John K. List; tyler, T. W. Bliss; captain of the host, George Hatch; P. S., James McCahon; captain of the guards, Daniel Dinger; third veil, W. J. Lukens; second veil, Dr. J. E. McDonald; first veil, W. A. Wilson. P. H. P., George M.

McLare House Heating.

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The Trimble & Lutz Company secured the contract for heating the new McLure House with the vacuum system of the Warren-Webster Company. The amount of this and the plumbing contract is in the neighborhood of \$13,000. It is a pleasure to know Wheeling has a firm that can secure such work, and keep the business at home. The entire work will be first-class.

GROCERS' DAY, Thursday, June 15, t Wheeling Park.

THE UNDERTAKERS

Of West Virginia Holding Their Annual Convention Here.

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS

Showed the Association to be in a Flourishing Condition-A Number of New Members Admitted Yesterday-Committees Were Appointed Which will Report To-day-Officers Will be Elected Wednesday.

The West Virginia Funeral Directors' Association opened its fifth annual meeting, at Odd Fellows' hall yesterday morning and spent a busy day of it. About fifty delegates were present and throughout the day a goodly number of visitors from Ohio and Pennsylvania atlended, the demonstrations in embalming by Prof. Renouard, of New York, assisted by Mr. Doltridge, of London, Eng. Two cadavers were used. The association opened with prayer at

o'clock, by Rev. C. M. Oliphant, of the First Christian church. The visiting delegates were cordially welcomed to Wheeling by Mayor Sweney in a happy five-minute speech. A neat response was made by J. B. Marr, of Mannington. President Fredlock made an interest-

ing address, in the course of which he complimented the legislative committee on the embalmers' bill adopted by the state legislature. Mr. Fredlock said the bill would have the effect of glevating the profession. His report was referred to a committee for consideration. Messrs, D. M. Thornburg, E. Musgrave and C. G. Fish compose the committee. Secretary-treasurer Bertschy's report stated that the treasury had been drawn on to get the embalming bill J. Boreman, of Buckhannon, is at through the legislature and it suggested the increase in the annual dues from \$2 to \$5.

The morning session coreladed with the appointment of the following com-

Credentials-W. R. Cooey, T. G. Seilers, James Thorn, Charles Warne, C. R. Dulin, Frank Foster.

Secretary-treasurer's report-H. Wells, of Spencer; J. H. Markwood, of Keyser; J. B. Marr,of Mannington; S. P. Scott, of Beverly; E. Schmeichel, of

Revised by-laws-R. L. Cunningham, of Fairmont; J. B. Tippett, of Pt. Pleasant; William Cooey, G. E. Hildebrand and A. Mager, Wheeling. Obituary-Frank Schroder, Wheeling;

J. P. Shorts, of West Liberty; E. Mus grove. Next place of meeting-John Barlow, Porter E. Willard, Mr. Zinn, J. B. Tip-

pett, W. H. Wilson, J. F. Chipperfield, J. W. Clemans. Legislative and executive report-S. P. Scott, T. J. Sellers, George Gilfillen, M.

J. Parsons and W. F. Rice. Reception—F. E. Zook, William Flickinger, Wesley Kelly, W. H. Beverlin, George Roberts, G. H. O'Bryne,

The following delegates answered the roll call: T. S. Cole, Grafton; G. Mendei & Co., Wheeling; E. Musgrave & Son, Fairmont; J. H. Harkwood, Keyser; J. B. Marr & Co., Mannington; M. J. Parsons, Grafton; A. J. Gaskin, Monongah; W. H. Fredlock, Piedmont; Thornburg Bros., Eim Grove; G. J. Sellers, Middlebourne; Bentley & Gerwig,Parkersburg; S. P. Scott, Beverly; Louis Bertschy. Wheeling; Bruemmer & Hildebrand, Wheeling; J. Becker & Son, Benwood; Frank Schroder, Wheeling; R. J. Zink, Moundsville; White, Handley & Foster, Wheeling: Cooey & Bentz, Wheeling: Friend & Son, Wheeling: J. B. Tippett, Pt. Pleasant: C. B. Dulin, St. Mary's: F. A. Hennen, Morgantown; C. T. Barlow & Son, Charleston; W. H. Wilson, Mar-tinsburg; T. W. Clemans, Wellsburg;

Standford Bros., New Martinsville. Among the new members taken in were the following: George McCokeley. Sweltzer, Philippi; Arthur Higgins, Middleton; James E. Johnson, Huntington; J. W. Pryor, East Bank; Holswade & Son, Huntington; Henry Gascons, The tuneral of the late Benjamn F.

Bachman will take place from his late residence, 1208 Chapline street, to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, and friends of the family are invited to attend. The family are invited for invited family are attended in the family are invited family are invited for invited family are invited f ry, O.; C. T. Leaville, New England; Robert F. Hill, Wheeling; Charles W. Janelew; Perrine & Broadwater, Salem.

The afternoon session began at 2 p The following visitors were then registered: O. M. Shepard, Pledmont; O. C. Gutensohn, of Gnadenhutten, O.; J.W. Gillespie, Cadiz, O.; J. H. Paisley, Toronto, O.; J. W. Hurding, Jewett, O.; A. B. Roberts, Germano, O.; J. H. Hall, Flushing, and H. W. Bigley, Flushing; Charles Adolph, Bridgeport; A. J. Tu-bagh, Woodsfield, O.; James Lindsay, Steubenville, O.: J. M. Fullerton, M. F. Leslie, W. Hamilton, J. L. Fitzhugh, Thomas Peyton, of Pittsburgh.

The legislative and executive committees made their reports, which were referred to a special committee.

H. D. Wells, of Spencer, representative to the National Association of Funeral Directors, at Omaha, was present at the evening session, and several new members were received. Mr. Wells will make his report to-day. The even-ing session consisted chiefly in a demonstration by Prof. Renouard.

The place of the 1900 meeting and the election of officers will occur this afternoon. Parkersburg, Elkins and Char leston are mentioned for the meeting place.

The association will decide to-day on the question of opening a temporary school in this city for embalmers. Today's sessions will complete all the business and there will be an outing at the Wheeling Park and banquet at the Grand Central hotel, as social features.

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LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

State Department's Annual Meeting in This City-Mrs. Anna B. Topp, of Sistersville, Elected President--Meet Next Year in Moundsville.

The Ladies of the G. A. R., Department of West Virginia, held their annual meeting in this city Tuesday, the sessions occurring at McLain's hall. The business before the body was completed at the evening session, and the three Wheeling circles entertained the visitors in royal style.

The meeting was opened in the after-noon, by Mrs. O. S. Botsford, the department president, but the sudden partment president, but the sudden death of a relative in Pittsburgh called her away, and Mrs. M. Anna Hall past department president, efficiated in her stend. Reports were received from the five circles represented, which included Moundsville, Sistersvilly, and three in Wheeling, and all showed an encouraging condition of affairs. The delegates were regaled with lunch at Held's cafe at the close of the afternoon session, and a banquer was served in the hall after the department adjourned. There were twenty delegates present and they saluted an Intelligencer reporter in Chatauqua style when he entered the hall in quest of news. The meeting was a source of pleasure to all who attended.

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The department decided to meet next April, in Moundsville, in conjunction with the state encampment of the G. A. R. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:

President—Mrs. Anna Bell Topp, Sistersville.

tersville.

Secretary—Mrs. Augusta Ackerson
Sistersville. Treasurer-Miss Nellie Henry, Wheel-

Senior vice president—Mrs. R. E. Florence, Wheeling.

Junior vice president—Mrs. Anna Sheets, Wheeling. Chaplain—Mrs. M. J. Guy, Wheeling. Counsellor—Mrs. O. S. Botsford, Wheeling. of administration-Mrs. Council of administration—Mrs. M. Anna Hall, Mrs. Mary Rose and Mrs. Anna Camp, Wheeling.
Organizer—Mrs. M. Anna Hall, Wheeling.
Delegate to national convention at Philadelphia—Miss Ruth Hall, of Wheeling.

NEW MEN WANTED

By the Wheeling Railway Company, Secretary Shirley Talks.

An advertisement appeared yesterday morning, in which the Wheeling Railway Company stated its desire to employ new motormen and conductors to replace men who have left its employ within the past few days. Preference for Wheeling men and former employer was stipulated. When Secretary Shirley, of the company, was seen last night, he stated that two applications from Wheeling men were received yes-terday and he anticipated receiving others

Secretary Shirley said some of the men recently in the employ of the com-pany are persons who do not stay long in any place, and others have been dis-In any place, and others have been discharged for failure to abide by the discipling of the company. This state of affairs together with the company's intention, to maintain a full and frequent service on its lines opens places for a number of new men, and for this reason the advertisement for new men had been made. He added that the opportunity is given Wheeling men to secure employment, and in the event they do not respond in sufficient numbers, it will be necessary to hire outside men. The advertisement states, further, that the men will be paid seventeen and one-half cents an hour, an increase of one and one-half cents over the scale in effect before the strike. Mr. Shirley said he knew the company would have no difficulty in getting out Shirley said he knew the company would have no difficulty in getting out-side men, if necessary.

THE KEPNER DISAPPEARANCE Mystery Cleared- He is Now Working

in Ottumwa, Iowa.

About two years ago, Samuel Kepner, at that time foreman of the Register news room, suddenly disappeared, and even his family did not know what and even his family did not know what had become of him. However, it was not thought he had ended his life, and it was predicted that sooner or later his whereabouts would become known. After two years it is learned that he is alive and is working at the printing trade in Ottumwa. Iowa. This was learned yesterday through the current issue of the printers' journal, in which it is stated that Mr. Kepner, applied for admission to the typographical union in the Iowa town.

The Sommernachtsfest,

The Arion sommernachtsfest at Wheeling Park last night attracted a large and delighted audience. The concert programme, which included solos by Mrs. Flora Williams and Miss Gertrude Riester; a duet by them; selectrude Riester; a duet by them; selec-tions by the Philharmonic Quartett; concerted numbers by the Arion, Mo-zart and Beethoven singing societies; an instrumental solo by Mr. Julius Hoose, and other as attractive num-bers, was enthusiastically received, It was given under the capable direc-tion of Prof. H. M. Schockey. Following the concert, dancing was the attraction until long after mid-night.

MR. P. KETCHAM, of Pike City, Cal., says: "During my brother's late sickness from sciatic rheumatism, Chamberlan's Pain Baim was the only renedy that gave him any relief." Many others have testified to the prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords. For sale by druggists.

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45-Sterling Silver Match Safe.
45-Alarm Clock.
45-Alarm Clock.
45-Beautful Handkerchief Casa
45-Estarling Silver Moons (full set).
45-Stamped Linen Centre Piece.
45-Ladies Foons (full set).
45-Double Rossting Fan.
45-Ladies Foons Handlod Knife.
45-Ladies Fenzi Handlod Knife.
46-Ladies Gentis Curf Button.
46-Enamel Coffens Curf Button.
47-Tea Kettle.
48-Ladies Fell Set Combs.
49-Ladies Beautful Belt.
40-Ladies Beautful Belt.
40-Ladies Beautful Picture.
40-Ladies Heautful Picture.
40-Latest Novel.
40-Bread Box. Coupons. Prizes.

With 300-Fine Bleycle.

275-Fine Ladies' or Gents' Gold
Watch.

275-Ladies' Roll Top Desk.

275-Gentleman's Roll Top Desk.

255-Superb Leather Loungs.

225-First-Chass Gas Stove.

115-Decorated China Dinner Set
(100 pieces).

150-Fine Mandolin.

160-Fine Leather Bound Trunk.

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